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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Takao NODA, Akihiko SHIRAKAWA, Joseph GAZE, Yoshiaki YAMAUCHI and Fumiyoshi ONO  
CATHODE ELECTROACTIVE MATERIAL, PRODUCTION METHOD THEREFOR AND SECONDARY CELL  
**Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.**  
Our Ref: Q78691

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/785,258 (Confirmation No.2902) filed February 20, 2001 of Takao NODA, Akihiko SHIRAKAWA, Joseph GAZE, Yoshiaki YAMAUCHI and Fumiyoshi ONO entitled CATHODE ELECTROACTIVE MATERIAL, PRODUCTION METHOD THEREFOR AND SECONDARY CELL.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

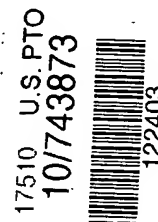
The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1745.

Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2000-126494, filed April 26, 2000 and benefit is claimed based on Provisional Application No. 60/214,794, filed June 28, 2000.

The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 09/785,258.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	15 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claim Fee							\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>							<b>\$770.00</b>





A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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